

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA INFORMATION
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 - v. -
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STEVEN GALLAGHER, 22 Cr.
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 Defendant.
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The United States Attorney charges:

COUNT ONE

1. From in or about December 2020 up to and including in or about February 2021, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere, STEVEN GALLAGHER, the defendant, willfully and knowingly, directly and indirectly, by the use of means and instrumentalities of interstate commerce, and the mails and facilities of national securities exchanges, did use and employ, and cause to be used and employed, in connection with the purchase and sale of securities, manipulative and deceptive devices and contrivances in contravention of Title 17, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 240.10b-5, by (a) employing devices, schemes, and artifices to defraud; (b) making untrue statements of material fact and omitting to state material facts necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and (c) engaging in acts, practices and courses of business which

operated and would operate as a fraud and deceit upon persons, and aided and abetted the same, to wit, GALLAGHER used Twitter to misrepresent the nature of his personal financial stake in the securities of SpectraScience Inc. ("SCIE"), in order to induce others to purchase SCIE stock, and thereby drive up the stock's price, while GALLAGHER simultaneously and secretly sold his own previously acquired shares at an artificially inflated price.

(Title 15, United States Code, Sections 78j(b) & 78ff;
Title 17, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 240.10b-5; and
Title 18, United States Code, Section 2.)

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION


2. As a result of committing the offense alleged in Count One of this Information, STEVEN GALLAGHER, the defendant, shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any and all property, real and personal, that constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense alleged in Count One of this Information, including but not limited to a sum of money in United States currency representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the commission of said offense that the defendant personally obtained.

Substitute Assets Provision

3. If any of the above-described forfeitable property, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
 - b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
 - c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court;
 - d. has been substantially diminished in value; or
 - e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty,
- it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of the defendant up to the value of the forfeitable property described above.

(Title 18, United States Code, Sections 981;
Title 21, United States Code, Section 853;
and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461.)



Damian Williams
United States Attorney